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# Alumni Columns

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## WELCOME HOME FOR HOMECOMING Remember the Date—November 15—Plans for Day Announced



By howdah (safari style), by boat, and by float, alumni come trekking back to the campus for the 1952 Homecoming to greet old friends and to make new friends, to live again the treasured days of yore, to sit underneath the pines and receive anew the spirit and inspiration of the "Old Hill," to clasp the hand of a favorite teacher, and to rededicate their lives to a greater service to mankind.

Plans for Northwestern State's annual Homecoming on Saturday, November 15, include the traditional parade, the alumni luncheon, the election of officers, and, of course, the football game with the Southwestern Bulldogs of Lafayette.

Homecoming will officially open with registration and coffee in Varnado Hall, beginning at 9:00 o'clock Saturday morning.

At 9:30 the mammoth parade will leave the campus and move up Second Street to the business district of Natchitoches. Leading the parade will be the officials' car carrying President H. Lee Prather of Northwestern State, President Joel L. Fletcher of Southwestern, and Alumni President Van D. Odom of Monroe.

The N. S. C. band and the Demonettes will be in the vanguard of the parade, and several visiting high school bands will be spaced in between the floats.

The Homecoming Queen will ride on a special float prepared for the occasion. Occupying a prominent place in the parade will be the ROTC unit, always a colorful addition.

Special floats prepared by student organizations, sororities, and fraternities will all be in the parade, each group hoping to win the coveted first prize awarded each year by the parade committee.

At noon the alumni will have luncheon in the main dining room or cafeteria. Following the luncheon program will be the business session and election of officers for the ensuing year.

### Officers To Be Elected

Officers to be elected are president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and one member of the Board of Directors. The board member is elected to serve for a four-year period. Those presently serving as officers of the Alumni Association are listed in each issue of the Columns.

### Kickoff at 2:15

Climaxing the day's activities will be the football game with (Continued on Page 2)

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## BASKETBALL COACHING CLINIC SET FOR OCTOBER 29-30

### HANK IBA GUEST SPEAKER

The fourth annual basketball coaching clinic will be held on the campus October 29 and 30. The clinic will be sponsored by the Physical Education Majors Club.

Following the policy of securing the nation's outstanding coaches of basketball as guest speakers for the clinics, the PEM Club has the good fortune to present for the 1952 session Coach Henry "Hank" Iba of Oklahoma A. & M., the nation's greatest exponent of deliberate ball control and tight defense.

Coach Iba will present a direct contrast to former guest speakers of the basketball clinics held on the campus, in that his style of play differs greatly from that used by Cliff Wells of Tulane, Adolph Rupp of Kentucky, and "Phog" Allen of Kansas, each of whom is a believer in the fast break and high scoring. Under the well known system used by Iba, scores are usually kept low, a direct result of the deliberate ball control and tight defense style of play.

Iba will give a series of lectures during the two-day clinic, in which he will present his coaching tech-

### COACH HANK IBA



niques and the reasons why he likes the ball-control style of play.

While most basketball fans throughout the country prefer the fast break, high-scoring type of game as spectators and dislike the style that "slows down the game," the effectiveness of Coach Iba's style of play is reflected in the record established by him during his 21 years' coaching experience. His teams have won 536 games while losing only 123, and have won 12 conference titles in 18 years. In addition he has won the NCAA National title twice, finished second once, and fourth once—a record exceeded only by Kentucky, who holds 3 NCAA National titles.

An invitation is extended to all coaches, players, and fans interested in basketball to attend any part or all of the sessions of the clinic.

## Homecoming—

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Southwestern of Lafayette, the game scheduled to begin at 2:15. Immediately preceding the kickoff will be the presentation of the Homecoming Queen, her court, and escorts.

Following the football game, student organizations, sororities, and fraternities on the campus will hold open house for their returning alumni.

### Buddy Morrow Orchestra

Homecoming alumni are all invited to the Homecoming Ball Saturday night. The student body has secured the services of Buddy Morrow and his orchestra for the occasion. The ball will be held in Dining Hall instead of the Student Center. Since the services of a "name band" are rather expensive, a fee will be charged for the dance.

## Calcasieu Alumni To Hold Banquet Nov. 5; Meet at Sammy's

Alumni of Calcasieu Parish will hold their annual banquet on Wednesday night, November 5, at Sammy's Restaurant, on Broad Street, Lake Charles, it was announced by Gabe Barkate, president of the parish unit.

Special committees have been appointed in each area of the parish to assure a good attendance at the meeting. Special guests for the meeting will be Coach Harry "Rags" Turpin, President H. Lee Prather, and alumni secretary, Leroy S. Miller.

The Calcasieu Parish alumni group is one of the most active in the state and holds the record attendance at a local meeting. Barkate is eager to top the record attendance this year. Alumni in the area should get in touch with him at Vinton to make reservations or contact their local representative.

Mrs. Eunice Dismukes (Eunice Marie Webb) Box 354, Coos Bay, Oregon, also requests to be placed on the mailing list to receive the Alumni Columns.

## W5WTV Offers Special Service To Alumni

Local amateur radio station W5WTV, operated by Charles A. Ross, A.B. '47, assistant Dean of Men and director of the testing bureau at the College, has announced that he would be pleased to accept messages for delivery in Natchitoches and Louisiana from alumni throughout the world. Messages can be sent to your family, friends, or others without any charge or fee.

This will be the first time that such direct contact has been provided for alumni. If messages are for local area, they will be telephoned to the person for whom they are intended. For other places in the state the messages will be either mailed or relayed through other amateur stations.

The procedure is very simple. Just contact an amateur radioman in your locality, and he will gladly pass the message on to W5WTV.

Mr. Ross operates principally in the evenings on the following wavelengths: 28.69 MC, 28.81 MC, 14.06 MC, and 7.03 MC. He is waiting for approval of his station in the membership of the Military Amateur Radio Service. When this approval is received, the station will operate on the MARS frequencies also.

## Out of the Mail Bag

Our sincerest sympathy is extended to Mr. John M. Foote, '04, of 1853 Blouin Avenue, Baton Rouge, in the loss of his wife on July 1.

Mrs. Foote was the former Viva Cockerham of Coushatta, daughter of the late Allen Cockerham and Maggie Scheen Cockerham. She graduated from the Normal in 1906, and taught in the public schools for 35 years, 30 of which were spent in Baton Rouge. She was president of the Blue Blue Violets for one year.

Kenneth R. Royston, U. S. Navy Communication Station, Box 88, Navy 926, San Francisco, is now stationed in Guam. He thinks the Navy is a great life and is taking advantage of the fine schooling and training offered to him. Prior to his transfer to Guam, Royston was stationed at Imperial Beach, California.

A note from Pfc. Abraham W. Roy, Jr., RA 18353569 Army General School Detachment No. 1, Fort Riley, Kansas, asked that all future copies of the Columns be forwarded to him there.

Another change of address is that of A/IC Richard F. Johnston, AF 18358211, 4750th Base Service Squadron, Yuma County Airport, Yuma, Arizona.

Ray Smith has also sent a request for Alumni Columns to be sent to him. His present address is A/C Ray W. Smith, 18108396, Student Detachment, Box 51, Goodfellow Air Base, San Angelo, Texas.

We are always happy to comply with such requests, and all have been added to our mailing list.

If you know of persons not receiving our publication, do them and us a favor, will you? Send the name and address of any such person to us—we will appreciate the favor.

1st Lt. Rex H. Taylor, U.S.M.C., writes in from Camp Lejeune, N. C., asking for reservations for the homecoming luncheon. He stated in his letter: "It seems as if the Alumni Columns reached me at the right time. Being released from active duty on the morning of November 12th, I will be able to attend my first homecoming since graduation in June, 1950."

Taylor is just completing 27 months of service in the Marine Corps.

Mrs. W. L. Hasty (Phoebe Bowman) of 7021 Atlanta St., Marietta, Ga., writes:

"Thanks to some mysterious source, I have been receiving your publication. It seems an excellent way to renew old acquaintances and memories of what some of us must regard as our halcyon days. "I would like to use it now as a medium to greet old friends and to appeal for news from them."

Joseph C. Lestage, B.S. '50, Box 561, Apt. 3-A, Burlington, Iowa, sent in his change of address and stated: "In as much as I have not received a copy of Alumni Columns, which we enjoy so much, please advise me as to when Homecoming is going to take place. I would like to know as soon as possible so I can make preparations to get away from my work at that time."

Mrs. R. O. White, Box 237, Jonesville, writes:

"I would like very much to be put on the mailing list for the Alumni Columns. I am the former Mary Berle Davis, B.S. '51.

"In July, 1951, I was married (Continued on Page 3)

## Gymnasts to Perform at High Schools

The Northwestern Gymnastic team, one of the outstanding gymnastic teams in the entire southland, is working out daily in preparation for an extended visitation program to high schools of the state through the months of November and December.

Starting out with a between-halves show at the Mississippi Southern-Northwestern football game at Natchitoches on November 1. Coach John Piscopo's gymnasts will make their first high school performance at Lecompte High School on the night of November 6. On Monday, November 10, they will perform for the assembly program at Bolton High School at 9:20 in the morning and move on to Opelousas for an afternoon show and a night show in the Opelousas High School auditorium.

Three performances will be given on November 20. The first show will be staged at Lake Charles High School at 10:30 A. M., with an afternoon performance scheduled for LaGrange High School at 1:00 o'clock, followed by a night performance at Vinton High School.

By popular demand, the gymnasts will again present a performance at the Louisiana Education Association meeting in New Orleans at 10:00 A. M. on November 24.

The high school schedule will be completed with a night performance at Bastrop High School on December 4. Other home performances will be given between halves at home basketball games on December 2 and 6.

## Graphic Arts Set Up

Courses in the graphic arts began at the College this semester, and an offset printing department has been set up in the Industrial Arts Building.

Roy Clark, a journalism and printing graduate of East Texas State Teachers College, has been employed to teach courses in offset and letterpress printing and to direct the college print shop. Clark has taught at ETSTC and has had 11 years experience in printing.

This is the first time NSC has had its own printing equipment. College printing, to a limited degree, will be done this semester. Full scale printing will be delayed until the arrival of some additional equipment, such as type cabinets, vacuum frames, and offset plate whirlers.

## Out of the Mail Bag—

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to R. O. White of Jonesville, where we are now making our home."

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Cass Moss, 1952 graduate from Winnfield, is now studying Law at L. S. U. and has written for the Alumni Columns to be forwarded to him. His address is Cass Moss, c/o Law School, L. S. U., Baton Rouge, La.

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A recent letter from Pvt. Robert Bringham, U. S. 54083785, 516th Airborne Infantry Regiment, Co. G, Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky, stated: "I wish a copy

## Demons-Wildcats in Scoreless Tie

Picked by the coaches of the Gulf States Conference as the team most likely to occupy the cellar in conference competition for the 1952 season, the Demons literally pulled themselves up by their football cleats to hold Louisiana College to a scoreless tie. Rated as the underdogs in the 43rd traditional game between the two teams, the Demons were determined the Wildcats would not repeat last year's 27-6 shellacking.

The Demons racked up more first downs and more yardage than the Wildcats but were unable to cross the goal line. Fumbles deep in Louisiana College territory, twice inside the 10-yard line, and a stubborn defense by the Wildcats were the main obstacles.

Expected to shown an aerial offense, the Demons made all their yardage from running plays. They made only six passing attempts and all were incomplete. Louisiana College, on the contrary, were expected to show a great running attack but made most of their yardage through the air.

### Demons Win Only One

Thus far this season the Demons have been unable to get into the win column since the opener with Central State of Oklahoma, whom they nosed out 7-0.

Against Lamar Tech of Beaumont, our boys won all the statistics but lost the game 35-12.

The following week, playing on their home field, the Demons were completely overpowered by McNeese State College, a newcomer to the G. S. C., until late in the fourth quarter. Trailing by 32 points and apparently out of the game, the Demons staged a rally in the closing minutes of the game and scored twice, once on a sustained drive and, a few plays later, on a blocked punt. The final score: 32-13.

### Rough Stretch Ahead

Heartened by their showing against Louisiana College, co-holder of the cellar position in the conference, the Demons are making every effort to salvage some of the games ahead of them. As we go to press, the contests with Louisiana Tech at Shreveport, Southeastern at Hammond, Mississippi Southern at Natchitoches, Northeast State College at Monroe, and Southwestern at Natchitoches (Homecoming), are still in the offing. Of the remaining games three are against conference foes—Mississippi Southern withdrew from the conference last May, and Northeast State of Monroe is not a member.

If the Demons show as much improvement in both offense and defense through the coming weeks as they demonstrated last week, their determination to climb out of the cellar should meet with success.

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## NORTHWESTERN GYMNASTS—S. A. A. U. AND S. W. A. A. U. CHAMPIONS





## Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Lee Harvey

are pictured in their automobile immediately after they were married on April 16. The wedding vows were solemnized in the Holy Name of Mary Church, New Orleans. Mrs. Harvey is the former Patricia Lyons, B.S. '46. She was a member of Pi Kappa Sigma sorority.

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## Cupid's Doings

MISS WILDA KATHLEEN TUCKER, A.B. '42 of Haughton, and Mr. Sam McKenzie Wilder, of Coushatta, were married at the family home in Haughton on September 27, with Rev. John C. Adams, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating.

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MISS MARY VIRGINIA HATHORN, of Haynesville, and Charles Emmett McConnell of Springhill were married at the First Baptist Church of Haynesville on June 15. The bride graduated from Northwestern and received her Master's Degree from Louisiana State University. Prior to her marriage she was a teacher at Lakeshore Junior High School in Shreveport. The newlyweds will reside in Springhill.

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MISS BILLYE JOYCE PENNINGTON, former student of Shreveport, and Raymond Jack Benidict of Lanigan, Missouri, were married at the Caddo Heights Baptist Church in Shreveport on July 26.

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MISS MICKEY LOUISE WEST, B.S. '51, of Leesville, and Floyd Curtis Penton, Jr., of Sulphur, were married on October 3. The

bride is employed as teacher of Home Economics in the Sulphur High School.

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MISS HAZEL ELSIE COOPER, A.B. '42, of Alexandria, and Charles Avery Maxwell, of Liberty, Mississippi, were married at the First Methodist Church in Alexandria on June 22. The bride has been a member of the Plain Dealing High School faculty. They will make their home in Texarkana while the groom is in service.

## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bennett, Jr., of 1219 Allen Street, Owensboro, Kentucky, announce the arrival of a son, Jeff Gordon Bennett, on June 15 (Father's Day). Both the parents were students at the College and Mrs. Bennett received her degree in 1947. Mr. Bennett is Field Representative, First Aid and Water Safety, Eastern Area, The American National Red Cross.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Black, Route 3, Box 112, Waukesha, Wisconsin, have announced the arrival of a daughter, Eileen Marie, on September 19. This is the Blacks' third daughter, as Eileen Marie has two sisters—Kathleen, 4, and Colleen, 3. Mrs. Black is the former Valerie Bendix, B.S. '47, of New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Ginsburg of 330 Glenmore Avenue, Baton Rouge, have announced the birth of a daughter, Trudi Laurene, on April 17. Mr. Ginsburg is a B.S. graduate of 1943.

## MARK PASQUA



Mark Pasqua, pictured at nine months of age, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pasqua, 716 Moss Street, Lake Charles. Both the parents are graduates of Northwestern. Mr. Pasqua is band director at La Grange High School of Lake Charles. The mother is the former Joyce Landry, B. S. '50, of Gonzales.

AH . . . AH . . . AH . . . !!! DON'T LAY ME DOWN YET—READ A LITTLE FURTHER AND follow directions—NOW. You want reservations for the Alumni Luncheon on Homecoming, and we can not send them to you unless you tell us how many and where to send them. BESIDES, we have to have your name in the pot or you will miss your share. THEN, too, reservations must be in by NOVEMBER 5 or we will both get in "dutch" with the cook; SO, clip out the blank form below and FILL IT IN, PUT IT IN THE MAIL, and then we'll all be happy. OF COURSE, a letter or card will do just as well.

Mr. Leroy S. Miller  
N. S. C. Box 1025  
Natchitoches, Louisiana

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ places for me at the Alumni Luncheon to be held at Northwestern State College on Saturday, November 15, Homecoming Day. I shall bring the following persons with me:

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_





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